

## GENERAL MEETING

### Date & Time

Friday, November 13th from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (the call will be available from 9.30am for members to connect and chat prior to the meeting commencing at 10am)  
Login begins at 9:30 am

### Place

Zoom chat room - The link is in the email sent out with this newsletter and will be sent again on November 6th..

### Program

1. After an extended discussion at the October board meeting AND after a majority vote of the board, the decision with regards to the November 13th meeting is as follows:

**NO to in- person meeting at Will Aichi.**

**YES to a Zoom Chat meeting.**

For the reasons mentioned in the email sent out with this newsletter.

2. Program topic: *Rakugo - Mr Katsura Sunshine*

We are very pleased to have Mr Katsura Sunshine as our guest speaker for our November meeting and enjoy his Rakugo performance, the 400-year-old Japanese comic storytelling, via Zoom. We can guarantee you our meeting will be filled with fun, joy, warmth and laughter as what his name suggests to us.

Mr Katsura Sunshine is a Canadian, born Gregory Robic. He received traditional Rakugo training from master, Katsura Bunshi VI, during the period of a 3-year apprenticeship from 2008-2011.

He has received numerous universal recognitions and performed around the world. Just to mention a few, his Rakugo was nominated for Best Unique Theatrical Experience for the 2020 Off-Broadway Alliance Awards. He was the bilingual MC for the opening reception of the G20 Summit in Osaka in 2019. He has also won personal praise from former Prime Minister Shinzo Abe for his efforts in promoting Rakugo to foreigners.

We are lucky enough to see his exclusive performance for CCEA!



## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sumiko Kato - 11/4  
Gloria Nakane - 11/4  
Kate Cornejo - 11/6  
Krista Tedford - 11/6  
Sachiko Harima - 11/6  
Naomi Tsunehisa - 11/6  
Cláudia Corteline - 11/6



Junko Sugimura - 11/10  
Rachel Hyat - 11/13  
Ana Paula Alves Duarte - 11/19  
Junko Kondo - 11/19  
Rebecca Coltrin - 11/20  
Marie Josée Régner - 11/28  
Debi Navidi - 11/29

## MESSAGE FROM THE MARKETING CO-ORDINATOR

Hello,

My name is Lisa and it has been a pleasure serving on the CCEA board in 2020 as marketing co-ordinator. I arrived in Japan from Australia in June 2019 with my husband and 2 children (Ava aged 6 and Leo aged 3). When I arrived I wanted to explore and understand as much about Japan as possible, part of which was to join CCEA. Unfortunately, the summer break meant I had to wait a couple of months before I could join CCEA. When this happened I was welcomed by the friendly and supportive women from both Japan and around the world and became involved in some wonderful activities and experiences.

This is the first time that my family has lived in another country other than Australia. It has been an exciting, interesting and rewarding experience getting used to a different culture, especially one as different from Australia as Japan.

2020 has proved challenging for us all and has meant that unfortunately CCEA hasn't looked quite the same as in past years, but as we hopefully start to move through the pandemic, I look forward to hopefully spending more face to face time with other CCEA members and immersing myself in many more Japanese activities and experiences.

Sincerely  
Lisa Brasher



## HOLIDAY LUNCHEON - IMPORTANT MESSAGE

The board has decided not to hold an event in December. It was a difficult decision, but we decided that safety and well being is most important. We hope everyone has a wonderful winter season with your families and friends. CCEA will be issuing a refund for the winter season 2020 membership to all current members. Thank you all so much for your support and encouragement during this difficult year. There will be an email sent out soon to all members with more information.

Thank you,  
2020 CCEA Board Members



## 2021 BOARD POSITIONS OPENINGS

2020 will soon be over and we are currently looking to build the 2021 CCEA Executive Board. All current CCEA members are encouraged to apply, given they meet the position's requirements. The sign up email will be sent out to all members soon with more information, current openings, and board member requirements.

## BOOK CLUB

***“Comfort” and “Nettles” (two short stories from the author’s collection “Hateship, Friendship, Courtship, Loveship and Marriage) by Alice Munro***

Please don't worry if you haven't finished the book, come join in the discussion. Events will be emailed to group members.

**Meets:** 10am-1pm, November 1,

**Place:** Aichi International Plaza,  
1F, 2-6-1 Sannomaru, Naka-ku  
(west side of the building, near the  
cafe by the main lobby)

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## IKEBANA & CALLIGRAPHY

It is more than simply putting flowers in a container. It is a disciplined art form in which the arrangement is a living thing where nature and humanity are brought together. Class is limited to 6 persons. Events currently posted on the CCEA Ikebana and Calligraphy Facebook page.

**Meets:** 10am-11:30am, November 12th, 19th and 26th

**Place:** 8FL, Apt. 811, 1 Chome-3-14  
Sawakami, Atsuta-ku, 456-0012

**Fee:** ¥TBC

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Mia Kojima: [mia.kojima@icloud.com](mailto:mia.kojima@icloud.com)

## YAMATO-E

A style of Japanese painting inspired by Tang dynasty paintings and fully developed by the late Heian period. It is considered to be the classical Japanese style.

Beginners are welcome.

Details will be sent to group members by email.

Class size is limited to a maximum of 5.

**Meets:** 10am-noon, November 6th and 27th

**Place:** TBA

**Fee:** ¥300

For more information please contact:  
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## DISCUSSION

***Looking back at 2020 - you are welcome to bring any materials for this topic***

Members debate current and often controversial topics concerning all matters of society including politics, religion, social and economic interests. Details will be sent to group members by email.

**Meets:** 10am-noon, November 30th

**Place:** Aichi International Plaza,  
1F, 2-6-1 Sannomaru, Naka-ku  
052-961-8744 (west side of the building,  
near the cafe by the main lobby)

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Calligraphy is an artistic way of writing and drawing using proper brush strokes, supplies and ink. There are three different styles of calligraphy which will be taught; traditional, stylish, and artistic.

**Meets:** 11.30 - 12.30pm, November 12th, 19th and 26th

**Place:** 8FL, Apt. 811, 1 Chome-3-14  
Sawakami, Atsuta-ku, 456-0012

**Fee:** ¥TBC

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## TEXTILE LOVERS

***Nagoya Yuzen stencil dying workshop***  
**Maximum of 8 people**

Members will explore the beauty of textiles from Japan and around the world. They will go to exhibitions, artisan's workshops and have occasional meetings. Details will be sent to group members by email

**Meets:** 1pm - 4pm, November 11th

**Place:** Akastuka Senkojyo, Kita-ku

**Fee:** TBC

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## NOVEMBER 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 <b>Book Club</b> 10am - 1pm	3	4	5	6 <b>Yamato-E</b> 10am-noon
9	10	11 <b>Textile Lovers</b> 1.30 - 3.30pm	12 <b>Ikebana</b> 10am - 11.30 <b>Calligraphy</b> 11.30am-12.30pm	13 <b>General Meeting - Zoom</b> 10am-noon
16	17	18	19 <b>Ikebana</b> 10am - 11.30 <b>Calligraphy</b> 11.30am-12.30pm	20
23	24	25	26 <b>Ikebana</b> 10am - 11.30 <b>Calligraphy</b> 11.30am-12.30pm	27 <b>Yamato-E</b> 10am-noon
30 <b>Discussion Group</b> 10am - noon				

## BOARD MEMBERS

**President:** Gwyn Wilson  
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 Naomi Hasegawa, Yuen Ling Laurence,  
 Takeno Matsuda, Yenling Chou Sato  
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 Sandra Skaf, Masako Noda  
**Financial Coordinators:**  
 Rachel Hyatt, Sakiko Kato

**Administrator:**  
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 Sumiko Adams, Lisa Brasher  
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 Tammy Miller, Asaka Takeshima  
**Catering Coordinator:**  
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